

reports coming out indicate now we would have to to run these down, they may be rumors but we have been notified today that cattle Feeders like Monford to Cairo the biggest in the world has taken out bankruptcy. I'm not saying that this is a fact it may be a rumor, but I understand that it is true. We were notified last week that one of the largest feed lots in this country down in Platte, Kansas went under last week. We understand that there is another larger feed lot in the northern part of Nebraska went under and yesterday after these things happened these cattle markets took an additional dip between \$2.00 and \$3.00. It has been all through last week. I refer to our personal experience that everyone of the steers out of our feed lot to go on the market today across....is costing us about \$200 cash out of the pocket. That does not include a...a...interest in the money invested, it does not include a depreciation of equipment that is used, it does not include labor. That is just the feed cost. This is what is happening. If this continues, and I personally feel that it is because some people are taking advantage of the situation by creating monopolies today and if there is anything that we need today it is the authorization of our attorney general to look into these things and see if we are not dealing with an anti-trust part of the thing. I think that we are going to make a serious mistake if we do not go along with Senator Luedtke in giving....or moving this bill to the head of General File. I don't care if it does cost a quarter of a million dollars. This does not only affect the cattle feeder business it affects all of the city, all of the town people and anyone that is in business of any kind in the state of Nebraska. This is the foundation of our economy. I hope that we get enough attention from our Senators today to give Senator Luedtke the support that he needs to get this bill up to the head of General File. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Burbach, is next, and I wish to call attention to the senate that I think it is impossible when you debate whether this bill should go to the top of general file you almost have to I realize debate the bill. Senator Burbach, Murphy, Schmit, R. Lewis and Proud.

SENATOR BURBACH: Mr. Chairman, members of the Legislature, I am certainly glad to hear that we are in a position to discuss the proposition that this bill be brought to the top of general file and discussed as soon as possible. Several weeks ago when this body decided to talk about the truckers strike, that all of us would go to Washington and then finally the report came back from Washington that Senator Proud, the Speaker of the Legislature should be the man designated to....for this and that the President would see him and so far, this has not materialized. Unless Senator Proud has had some communication just recently from the White House. Of which I am not aware. Only Saturday before or Saturday following I would say our discussion on the floor I was concerned about more problems than trucking. This was the movement of our agricultural products whether they be live cattle which are not which can not be forestalled and placed in back all of the time and then of course, our processed products such as the beef. If our truckers strike was to materialize we needed to recognize the truckers strike because of the implications that would follow that trucker strike. Then of course we held a meeting on a Saturday afternoon here to help Senator Proud see the picture more clearly as it would be identified with the agricultural problem in the state and more especially to the trucking involved in our transportation of our live products, our grain, our petroleum products to the...to be